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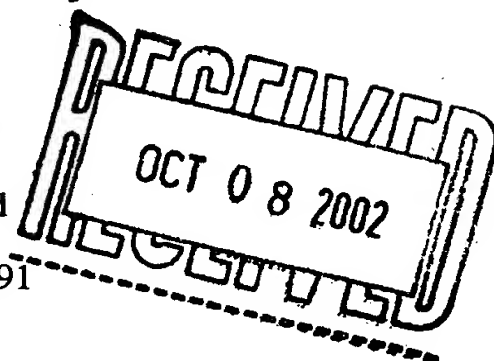
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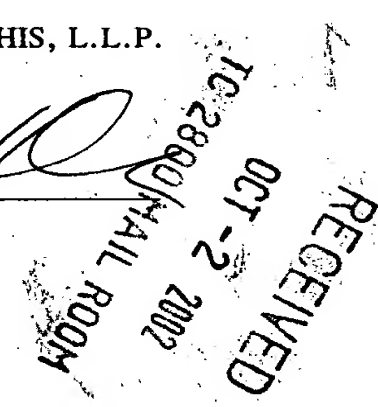
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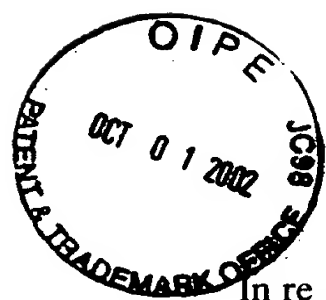
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International Search Report issued in connection with International Application No. PCT/AT99/00312, mailed April 18, 2000:

- U.S. Patent No. 5,754,644, issued May 19, 1998, to Akhteruzzaman.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,289,359, issued February 22, 1994, to Ziermann.
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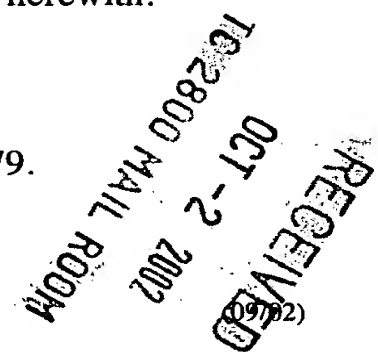
Also enclosed are the following:

German Patent Publication No. DE 3528645 A1, February 19, 1987.
An English-language translation of this German document is not readily available to the undersigned attorney. To assist the Office with determining the relevance of this document, an English-language Abstract is also submitted herewith.

PCT Patent Publication No. WO95/28793, October 26, 1995.

U.S. Patent No. 4,140,881, issued to Clenney, February 20, 1979.

U.S. Patent No. 4,132,863, issued to Smith, January 2, 1979.




The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) no fee or statement is required.

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